

CAREERS

Newsletter

Welcome to Easington Academy's September 2024 Careers Newsletter.

Welcome to the first edition of our **Careers Newsletter** for the new academic year! We're excited to kick off a year full of opportunities, information, and guidance to support our students on their journey toward a bright future. The purpose of this newsletter is to keep students, parents, and carers up to date with key careers events, insightful articles, and important links to open events at local post-16 providers.

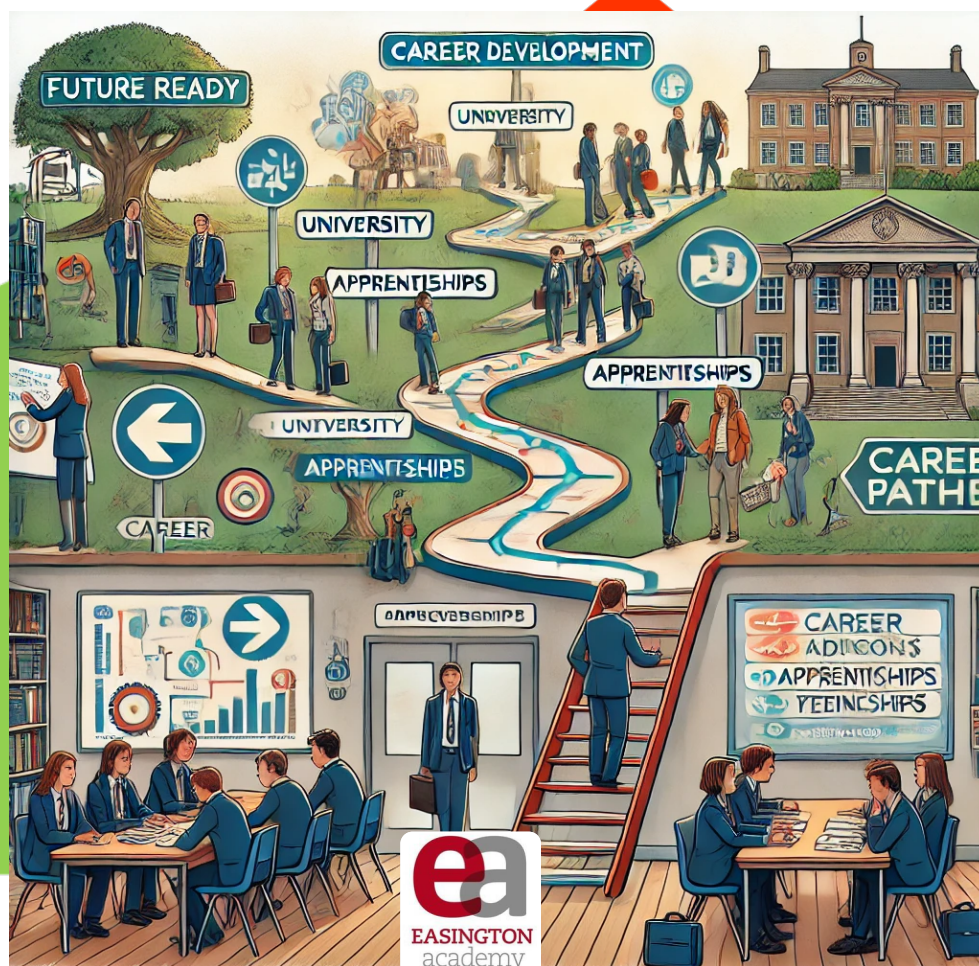
At Easington Academy, we're proud of our comprehensive careers programme, which is **woven into the curriculum** as well as our **World Ready lessons**, assemblies, and ongoing support. Our two Level 6 qualified Careers Advisors, **Mrs. Collins** and **Mrs. Wann**, work alongside **Mr. Rewcastle** from our partner company, **Progress Careers**, to ensure that every student receives impartial, personalised advice and guidance. We are committed to helping all students make informed decisions, develop essential skills, and be fully prepared for their next steps in education or employment.

Stay tuned for more updates, advice, and opportunities in the months ahead!

Our Careers Programme can be accessed here: [Careers information](#) | [Easington Academy](#)

For Careers advice please contact our Careers Advisors, Mrs Collins and Mrs Wann:

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KS4 Careers Fair

Key Stage 4 Careers Fair: A Great Success!

Our recent KS4 Careers Fair was a fantastic success, with many students and their parents in attendance. The event offered a valuable opportunity for exploring next steps in education and careers. We were delighted to welcome all local post-16 providers, alongside representatives from the Army, Durham Works, apprenticeship and training providers, and many more. The variety of providers ensured that students gained insightful advice on future pathways, helping them make informed decisions about their post-16 options. Thank you to everyone who made the event such a success!





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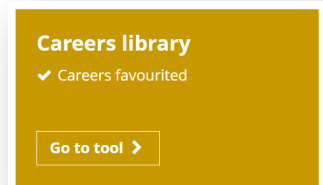
"Unlock Your Future with Unifrog: Explore, Discover, Succeed!"



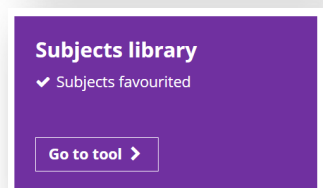
Unifrog is an invaluable resource designed to help students explore and navigate their future career and educational options with confidence. It offers a wealth of tools, including personality and interests' quizzes, course finders, and detailed information on apprenticeships, universities, and other career pathways. By using **Unifrog**, students can easily compare opportunities and make informed decisions about their next steps. Recently, **all students received an email from Mrs. Collins with a link to access the portal**, and we strongly encourage them to use it to research their career interests and plan their futures. We have also **emailed a link to all parents and carers**, allowing you to engage in discussions with your child about their future. This resource is an excellent way to support your child in making choices that align with their strengths and aspirations.

Here is an example of the invaluable resources:

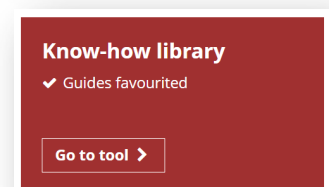
The Careers library – Explore all kinds of jobs and hear first-hand people in different roles via video interviews. These videos are accompanied by written versions of the interviewees' stories too.



The Subjects library – Search for university subjects by characteristic to suit learners best. Hear first-hand from people studying those subjects in subtitled video interviews. Videos are accompanied by written versions of the interviewees' stories too.



Know-how library – Search our library of guides and subtitled videos using the filter 'by Logistic' > 'Equal opportunities' to find guides on rights and special opportunities.



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SEND - Recommended Know-how library guides



Far too often young people with SEND needs can be held back by negative stereotypes and assumptions about their limitations. Only through schools and colleges can we be sure that every young person gets the advice they need, and that this advice is in their best interest, and theirs alone. At Easington Academy we ensure that all students receive bespoke careers advice and guidance as well as the opportunity to take advantage of supported, personalised visits to post-16 providers to ensure that their transition to KS5 is as stress free as possible.

The following guides will help learners with SEND feel supported in the workplace, college and in their daily lives:

You must be logged onto your Unifrog Account

- [Discussing your disability in UK applications and interviews](#)
- [Disability access: Reasonable adjustments in the workplace](#)
- [Applying for UK college with a disability](#)
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- [Disability access: reasonable adjustments in the workplace](#)

The following guides will help learners with SEND feel supported in learning about student finance options:

- [UK Finance: Financial support for disabled uni students](#)
- [UK finance: The Disabled Students' Allowance](#)
- ['Access and Participation' at UK universities: what it is and how it can help you](#)





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**OPEN
EVENTS**

Post-16 Providers – Open Events – October 2024

Date	Day	Provider	Time
01/10/2024	Wednesday	New College Durham	4.30pm - 6.30pm
01/10/2024	Tuesday	The Northern School of Art	5.30pm - 7.30pm
02/10/2024	Wednesday	Newcastle College	4.45pm - 7.00pm
02/10/2024	Wednesday	EDC - Peterlee Campus/The Technical Academy	5.00pm - 6.30pm
07/10/2024	Monday	ED6 - Sixth Form- Sixth Form	5.00pm - 6.30pm
10/10/2024	Thursday	Hartlepool College of FE	5.00pm - 7.00pm
12/10/2024	Saturday	New College Durham	10.30am - 1.00pm
14/10/2024	Monday	ED6 - Sixth Form- Sixth Form	5.00pm - 6.30pm
15/10/2024	Tuesday	Sunderland College - Bede Campus	4.45pm - 7.00pm
16/10/2024	Wednesday	Hartlepool Sixth Form	4.45pm - 7.00pm
17/10/2024	Thursday	Sunderland College - City Campus	4.45pm - 7.00pm
22/10/2024	Tuesday	EDC - Houghall Campus	5.00pm - 6.30pm
23/10/2024	Wednesday	EDC - Houghall Campus	5.00pm - 6.30pm
24/10/2024	Thursday	Durham Sixth Form	4.30pm - 7.30pm

OUR CAREERS ADVISORS ARE IN THE PROCESS OF PROVIDING 1:1 CAREERS GUIDANCE TO YEAR 11 STUDENTS

College Websites

Byron Sixth Form: <https://www.st-bedes.durham.sch.uk/byron-sixth-form-college/>
Durham Sixth Form Centre: <http://www.durhamsixthformcentre.org.uk/>
East Durham College: <https://www.eastdurham.ac.uk/>
English Martyrs Sixth Form: <https://ems6.bhcet.org.uk/>
Hartlepool Sixth Form: <https://www.hartlepoolsixth.ac.uk/>
Hartlepool College: <https://www.hartlepoolfe.ac.uk/>
Middlesbrough College: <https://www.mbro.ac.uk/school-leavers>
New College Durham: <https://newcollegedurham.ac.uk/>
Northern School of Art: <https://northernart.ac.uk/>
Sunderland College: <https://www.sunderlandcollege.ac.uk/>
Newcastle College: [College Courses For 16 to 18 Year Olds \(ncl-coll.ac.uk\)](https://www.ncl-coll.ac.uk/)

Useful Careers Websites

National Careers Service: <https://nationalcareers.service.gov.uk/>
Prospects: <https://www.prospects.ac.uk/>
ICould: <https://icould.com/>
Careers Box: [Home - CareersBox](#)
Careers4U: [Careers4u –](#)



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Labour Market Information (LMI) Careerometer

Careerometer lets you compare the average wages and working hours of up to three jobs in England. You can also use it to find out the predicted demand for these jobs in the future.

How to use it: Type in the first career that you're interested in and select from the drop-down list, then add your second and third choices to see the comparison.

Check it out here: [Careerometer – LMI For All](#)

You could also check out the **National Careers Service**: [Careers advice - job profiles, information and resources](#)
[| National Careers Service](#) They provide careers information, advice and guidance. They can help you make decisions at all stages in your career.



Coming Up – KS3 students

All KS3 students will be receiving an email from Mrs Collins with a link to complete a **FUTURE SKILLS QUESTIONNAIRE**.

Completing the **Future Skills Questionnaire** is a crucial step for students in developing **self-awareness** about their **skills and strengths**. By engaging with this tool, students can gain **valuable insights into the key competencies that employers look for, such as problem-solving, communication, and teamwork**. The questionnaire helps **identify areas for personal growth**, enabling students to make informed decisions about their future career paths. Additionally, it provides **useful data for our careers team, ensuring that career guidance is tailored to meet the individual needs of each student, ultimately supporting their success in a rapidly evolving job market**.

Please support your child completing the questionnaire.



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